

NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
September 11, 2002

**Northern States Power Company
September 2002
Purchased Gas Adjustment**

**PU-400-02-469
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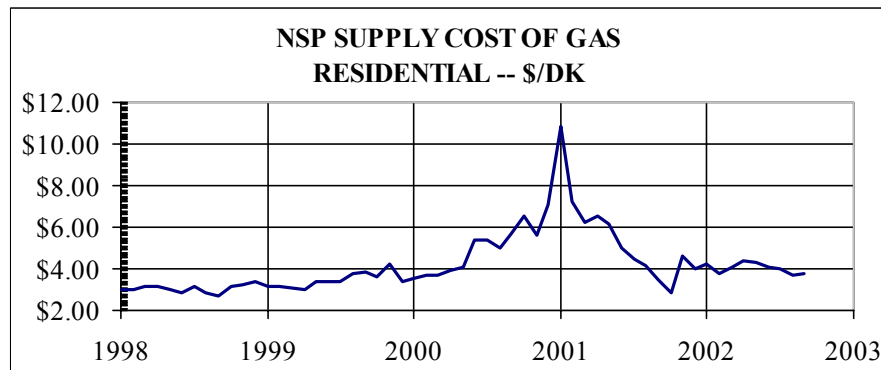
SUMMARY OF PROPOSAL:

In this filing, NSP is increasing the cost of gas adjustment by \$.0617 per dK for gas used on and after September 2, 2002. This changes the current residential customer cost of gas adjustment from \$3.6965 per dK to \$3.7582 per dK.

The increase for residential customers results from:

- \$.1756 per dK increase in the commodity cost of gas
- \$.0365 per dK increase in the demand cost of gas
- \$.1504 per dK decrease in the annual true-up factor. The annual true up, included with this filing, is changing from \$.228 per dK to \$.0776 per dK.

Natural gas commodity prices increased due to lower than expected national storage levels. The demand cost increased due to increased reservation rates on the Viking Gas Transmission system.



This change in cost of gas increases the bill by \$.15 for a residential customer with usage of 2.5 dK in September.

The Department of Energy's (DOE) Energy Information Administration (EIA) provides various publications on energy issues. The information is available on the EIA website: <http://www.eia.doe.gov>.

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I move the Commission approve Northern States Power Company's September 2002 purchased gas adjustment, Case No. PU-400-02-469.

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